

"application off-load" feature in the Edge ServerTM(TM) product. The application off-load feature extends the WebSphereTM(TM) platform to the edge of the network, enabling unprecedented availability, scalability, and performance for sophisticated e business applications.

Please replace the paragraph on page 3 which begins with " By comparison " with the following substitute paragraph:

By comparison, Ejacent, Inc. of Mountain View, California provides the UpScaleTM(TM) service which targets customers who have "lumpy" amounts of Web traffic. Specifically, the UpScale service involves first copying an entire application stack, associated data and content for a Web site into a single file. Once the single file has been created, the file can be uploaded to a hub. The hub, in turn, can distribute the single file to various servers at the edge of the network close to the end-user (edge servers). Upon receiving a user request, a participating server can load the application from the single file for processing without requiring the request to be processed centrally in a central application server (origin server).

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Please replace the paragraph on page 15 which begins with "Figures 3A and 3B" with the following substitute paragraph:

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Figures 3A and 3B, taken together, are a flow chart illustrating an exemplary process for selectively handling HTTP requests for dynamic data processing in the system of Figure 1. Importantly, though the invention is not so limited, Figures 3A and 3B particularly address a